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REMARKS

Claim 4 is allowed in this application. Applicants have hereinabove amended claim 4, and added new claims 27-48. Claim 4 has been amended to more particularly point out what applicants regard as the invention. Support for this amendment can be found in the specification at, inter alia, page 10, lines 15-17; and at page 15, lines 23-29. New claims 27-48 correspond to originally filed claims 5 to 26, which were inadvertently canceled by applicants in their Amendment filed September 23, 1999. Applicants submit that this amendment raises no issue of new matter. After entry of this Amendment, claims 4 and 27-48 will be pending and under examination.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorneys invite the Examiner to telephone them at the number provided below.

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No fee, other than the enclosed \$906.00 sum, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Amendment. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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